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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Michael J. Banker, et al

APPLICATION NO.: 09/672,323 : Examiner: To be assigned

FILING DATE: September 28, 2000 : Group Art Unit: To be assigned

TITLE: Micro-Equilibrium Dialysis Vertically-Loaded :

Apparatus

Hon. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on November 15, 2000, and having an original period for response of 2 months, which expired on January 15, 2000, be extended by 2 month(s), such that it expires on March 15, 2000.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge the amount of \$390.00 as stated under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445. Two copies of this paper are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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